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[CHAPTER 695—1ST SESSION]

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AN ACT

To increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the rate of basic compensation of the head of each executive department and of the Secretary of Defense shall be \$22,500 per annum; the rate of basic compensation of the Deputy Secretary of Defense shall be \$20,000 per annum; and the rate of basic compensation of the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the Air Force shall be, respectively, \$18,000 per annum.

SEC. 2. (a) Section 105 of title 3 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows:

“COMPENSATION OF SECRETARIES AND EXECUTIVE, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND STAFF ASSISTANTS TO PRESIDENT

“§ 105. The President is authorized to fix the compensation of the six administrative assistants authorized to be appointed under section 106 of this title, of the Executive Secretary of the National Security Council, and of five other secretaries or other immediate staff assistants in the White House Office as follows: Two at rates not exceeding \$20,000 per annum, three at rates not exceeding \$18,000 per annum, and seven at rates not exceeding \$15,000 per annum.”

(b) The first sentence of section 106 of title 3 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows: “The President is authorized to appoint not to exceed six administrative assistants and to fix their compensation in accordance with section 105 of this title.”

SEC. 3. The rate of basic compensation of each Under Secretary of an executive department, the Deputy Postmaster General, the Assistant to the Attorney General, the Solicitor General of the United States, the Comptroller General of the United States, the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, the Chairman of the National Security Resources Board, the Federal Security Administrator, the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, the Administrator of General Services, and the Housing and Home Finance Administrator shall be \$17,500 per annum.

SEC. 4. The rate of basic compensation of the Chairman of the Munitions Board, the Chairman of the Research and Development Board, the Assistant Comptroller General of the United States, the Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget, the Deputy Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, the Director of Central Intelligence, the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the

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Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the Chairman of the United States Maritime Commission, members of the Council of Economic Advisers, members of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and members of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (including the Comptroller of the Currency) shall be \$16,000 per annum.

SEC. 5. (a) The rate of basic compensation of the Assistant Federal Security Administrator, the Director of Aeronautical Research of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, members of the Civil Aeronautics Board, members of the Federal Communications Commission, members of the Federal Power Commission, members of the Federal Trade Commission, members of the Interstate Commerce Commission, members of the National Labor Relations Board, members of the National Mediation Board, members of the Railroad Retirement Board, members of the Securities and Exchange Commission, members of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority, members (other than the Chairman) of the Civil Service Commission, members of the United States Tariff Commission, the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, the Deputy Administrator of General Services, the Archivist of the United States, each Assistant Secretary of an executive department (including the Fiscal Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and the Deputy Under Secretaries of State), each Assistant Attorney General, each Assistant Postmaster General, the Assistant Solicitor General of the United States, the Counselor of the Department of State, the Philippine Alien Property Administrator, members (other than the Chairman) of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, members (other than the Chairman) of the Board of Directors of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, members (other than the Chairman) of the United States Maritime Commission, the Administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, the Commissioner of Public Roads, the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, the Administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration, the Governors of Alaska, Hawaii, the Virgin Islands, and the Panama Canal, the Chief of Staff of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, the Public Printer, the Librarian of Congress, and the Architect of the Capitol shall be \$15,000 per annum.

(b) The first sentence of section 603 of title 28 of the United States Code (relating to the salary of the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts) is amended to read as follows:

"The Director shall receive a salary of \$15,000 a year."

SEC. 6. (a) The rate of basic compensation of the Housing Expediter, the Director of the Bureau of Federal Supply, the Director of Selective Service, members of the Displaced Persons Commission, members of the Indian Claims Commission, members of the War Claims Commission, members of the Philippine War Damage Commission, the Associate Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director, the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, the Commissioner of Public Buildings, the Commissioner of Community Facilities, the Commissioner for Social Security, the Commissioner of Reclamation, the Chief of the Soil Conservation Service, the Commissioner of Customs, the Commissioner of Narcotics, the

Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, the Chief Forester of the Forest Service, the Administrator of the Farmers Home Administration, the Manager of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, the Associate Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Commissioners of the United States Court of Claims, the Assistant Architect of the Capitol, the Chief Assistant Librarian of Congress, and the Deputy Public Printer shall be \$14,000 per annum.

(b) The second sentence of section 603 of title 28 of the United States Code (relating to the compensation of the Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts) is amended to read as follows: "The Assistant Director shall receive a salary of \$12,500 a year."

(c) The rate of compensation of the Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives and of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate shall be \$12,000 per annum.

(d) The second sentence of section 30 of the Act of May 24, 1924, as amended (U. S. C., title 5, sec. 152a), relating to the appointment and compensation of the Legal Adviser of the Department of State, is amended to read as follows: "The legal adviser shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate."

Sec. 7. The applicable appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950, shall be available for payment of compensation at the rate established for any position by or pursuant to this Act unless it is specifically provided that such appropriation shall not be available for such purpose.

Sec. 8. The head of each department or independent agency in the executive branch of the Government, having personnel subject to the provisions of this Act, is authorized and directed to absorb the increased costs during the fiscal year 1950 resulting from the enactment of this Act within any unobligated or unexpended balances in appropriations available to such department or independent agency. This section shall not apply to any agency with respect to which the Director of the Bureau of the Budget shall certify that absorption of such increased costs would impair the proper performance of its functions.

Sec. 9. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the first pay period which begins after the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved October 15, 1949.